



U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

Public Hunt Areas

Texas Mid-Coast

National Wildlife Refuge

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Texas Mid-Coast National Wildlife Refuge Complex

Waterfowl hunting is allowed on, Brazoria, Big Boggy, and San Bernard National Wildlife Refuges, but only in those areas designated on the attached maps and posted with signs stating "Public Hunting Area." All State and Federal waterfowl regulations are applicable. These areas are known as Public Waterfowl Hunting Areas.

The regulations listed below supplement the general regulations that govern activities on National Wildlife Refuges set forth in Title 50, U.S. Code of Federal Regulations.

All of the Refuge Complex Public Waterfowl Hunt Areas are open every day of the waterfowl hunting season. No special permits or fees are required, except for the Sargent Permit Area.

Brazoria National Wildlife Refuge

Brazoria NWR has two public hunting areas. The Christmas Point Public Waterfowl Hunting Area lies southeast of the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway and is accessible by boat only. The Middle Bayou Public Waterfowl Hunting Area is accessible by boat or by walk-in from the parking lot areas along CR 227 or at the Clay Banks Public Fishing Area parking lot.

Big Boggy National Wildlife Refuge

Big Boggy NWR has two public hunting areas. The Pelton Lake Public Hunting Area on the east end of the refuge and is accessible from Chinquapin Road or by boat. The Matthes Field Public Waterfowl Hunting Area is located at the north end of the refuge along Chinquapin Road.

San Bernard National Wildlife Refuge

San Bernard NWR has three public hunting areas and one permit hunting area. All of the public hunting areas are accessible by boat only. They include the Cedar Lakes Public Waterfowl Hunting Area south of the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway, the Smith Marsh Public Waterfowl Hunting Area on the west side of Cedar Lake Creek and the Salt Bayou Public Waterfowl Hunting Area accessible from Cedar Lake Creek, the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway or through the shallow Cowtrap Lakes systems.

The Sargent Permit Waterfowl Hunt at San Bernard NWR offers a controlled hunting opportunity with walk-in access. The hunt is held each Saturday and Wednesday during the waterfowl season. The refuge complex will be accepting applications from September 1 to September 30 only. Hunters must apply for the lottery in accordance with Sargent Permit Waterfowl Hunt guidelines. Payment is non-refundable.

For Further Information

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